

Water Integration Project Meeting Minutes November 27, 2002, ID-N

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Planning Packages for 2004/2005

Planning packages for 2004/2005 and lifecycle baselines are being redone. BBWI is doing a major reorganization based on 2012 goals and objectives. Also, since the INEEL is under continuing resolution (i.e., only enough money to keep operating is authorized) some tasks planned for 2003 may not be completed.

The following tasks are planned for 2003 given these budget constraints:

Conceptual Model Development

- Complete the Aquifer Conceptual Model
- Develop a Summary Source Term Conceptual Model
- Develop a Summary Vadose Zone Conceptual Model

Science Strategy Development

- Develop Science Strategies to address the top 15 operational needs and uncertainties at the INEEL
- Identify potential funding sources to conduct the scientific research or develop the technology necessary to solve each need/uncertainty

Stakeholder Involvement

- Implement the methodology outlined in the stakeholder involvement plan

INEEL Monitoring/Drilling 2002 Summary

The following tasks will be moved to the 2004/2005, except as noted

Cumulative Risk Tool - this should be started in 2003 (dependent on funding) with completion in 2004

Development of INEEL Electronic Information Library

Technical Review Activities

Information Management - this task needs to be a collaborative effort with the Long-Term Stewardship Program

The Technical Scope for 2004-2005 was approved:

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| 2004 | Validate the Aquifer Conceptual Model |
| | Develop the manuscript-ready Aquifer Conceptual Model |
| | Finalize the Source Term Conceptual Model |
| | Finalize the Vadose zone Conceptual Model |
| | Conduct Science Strategies merit review |
| | Prepare calls for research proposals |

2005 Validate the Source Term Conceptual Model
 Validate the Vadose Zone Conceptual Model
 Develop the manuscript-ready Source Term Conceptual Model
 Develop the manuscript-ready Vadose Zone Conceptual Model
 Monitor the research findings of the science being developed

Marianne will revise the planning packages and get them back to Jeff.

Stakeholder Involvement

The DOE-ID review of the Water Integration Project Accomplishments document is almost completed. The document is being cleared for external release and will be added to the website. Jeff requested 30 copies of the document.

Jan reported on activities in Boise on November 14th. The event report was sent around to the group for additional information. Garth Newton, Manager of the Hydrology Section for the Idaho Department of Water Resources, has been added to the list of reviewers for the aquifer conceptual model. The IDWR meeting included individuals involved in preparing a groundwater model for the entire Eastern Snake River Plain aquifer, so they were very interested in the WIP effort.

The Food Producers presentation went well, and the Idaho Potato Growers, Idaho Grain Growers, the Farm Bureau, and the Idaho Association of Commerce and Industry asked to be kept on the master mailing list.

A meeting to discuss the Aquifer Academy idea was held with Julie Scanlin of IWWRI and Cheryl Burgess of INEEL. A white paper and presentation are being prepared for next week's meeting. Jeff requested that Jan brief DOE-ID personnel prior to the Wednesday meeting. Copies of the white paper and presentation will be provided to Enoch Miles and Lisa Green Monday morning and Jeff will set up a meeting on Monday or Tuesday. Making the connection with a national program like Project WET would broaden the scope of the project and perhaps bring additional funding from foundations, corporations or other agencies. Another opportunity is the Idaho Environmental Education Association meeting which will be held in March in Idaho Falls.

The Idaho Council on Industry and Environment is organizing legislative workshops for legislators and county commissioners in Pocatello, Boise, and Coeur d'Alene. The Water Integration Project will have 1/2 hour on the agenda. Brad suggested a 5-minute introduction to the INEEL as a whole, including who and how to contact. He will prepare some talking points and get them to Jan.

Jeff will be making a presentation to the Kiwanis Club in Buhl the week of December 9th. Brad reminded all to be sure to keep Lane Allgood informed of presentations made. Jan will add Lane to her distribution list.

The first conference of the Intermountain Chapter of the International Association for Public Participation (IAP2) was recently held in Ogden. Approximately 40 people attended from Idaho, Montana, Wyoming, and Utah. As part of the program the WIP Public Involvement Plan, Web site, fact sheet, and Field Tour Guide were evaluated. Some excellent input was provided particularly on content and context. These comments will be included as part of the next periodic evaluation. The next chapter conference will be in Idaho in June.

The International Meeting of IAP2 will be held in Ottawa in May. The theme of the meeting is capacity building.

The Shoshone Bannock tribes are interested in a return visit. It was noted that Diana Yupe is taking a position with the Forest Service in Ogden.

Next Meeting: December 4th.